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1948-50  
Sta. Nos 300-329



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field notes

1948 - 1950

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# ABBOTT - FIELD NUMBERS

300

Buckhorn Spring,  
Hillsborough Co., Florida  
Jan. 27, 1948.

Anaylus on dead leaves

Physa

Amaucola 300 (A) notes on Amaucola animal.

U.S. Phosphoric Company owns spring. Has  
pumping station there.

No Thiara (Tarebia)

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301

Tampa Water Dept. Spring, foot of  
Henderson St., Tampa, Hillsborough Co.,  
Florida

Jan. 28, 1948

Neitua plentiful

Pomacea plentiful

Cerithia catenaria plentiful on sandy  
bottom.

No Thiara (Tarebia)

Amaucola plentiful in weeds -

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302

Eureka Springs, N.W. of Tampa,  
Hillsborough Co., Florida

Jan. 28, 1948.

Mr. Albert Greenberg's estate with several  
springs. (Everglades Tropical Aquarium Co.)

*Thiana* (*Tarebia*), "the Philippine snail",  
found dead in his greenhouse tanks.

Two species of *Amnicolidae* 302(A), 302(B)  
found in sluceway next to road.

303

Palm Ceia Springs, Tampa,  
Hillsborough Co., Florida

Jan. 29, 1948

*Lyrodes* plentiful

304 Small Spring 3 mi. west of Crystal  
Springs, Pasco Co., Florida

*Ceripharia* only

305

Crystal Springs, Pasco Co., Florida

Jan. 30, 1948

*Amnicolidae*

*Ceripharia*

*Amnicolidae*

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3 miles south of Indian Rocks,  
Pinellas Co., Florida

*Collyria* common in grass clumps beside road.

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307 Johns Pass, Pinellas Co., Florida  
Inside cut. Jan. 31, 1948

308 Lithia Spring, Hillsborough Co.,  
Florida. Feb. 1, 1948  
Temp. 25°C  
*Thais* (*Tarbia*) *granifera* abundant (introd.)

309 2 mi. west of Shenandoah Peak on  
route 33, Pendleton Co., West Virginia.  
August 21, 1948.  
*Polygona*, etc. on limestone cliffs.  
Austin & Lelia Clark and Mary Abbott.

310 Beartrap Farm, 3 mi. N.W. of Mount  
Solon, Augusta Co., Virginia. Aug. 21, 1948.  
*Polygona* in pine woods.

311 North end of Lower Matecumbe Key,  
Florida. Jan. 14, 1950.  
Gulf side under rocks - *Lima*, *Cypraea*,  
*gibba*, *Lucapina*, *Chitons*, *Forcidaria tulipa*,  
*F. gigantea* with many  
took photos

312 Biscayne Key, Miami, Florida.  
*Conus*, *Rissoina*. (North end)  
took photos of *Aplysia*, *Tethys*, *Buccinum*  
Jan. 15, 1950 with Mary

313 North Inlet Lake Worth, Fla.  
Jan. 18, 1950  
Poor collecting. Too much freshwater.  
*Pinna*. with Mary

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314 Diarni Beach, 20 mi. S. of Mombasa,  
Kenya, British East Africa. May 2-11,  
1950

550 live *Gonaxis* collected in woods  
behind Diarni Beach Hotel.

Marine shells from beach and reef.  
Very rich collecting.

315 East side of Mombasa Island,  
Kenya, Brit. E. Africa. May 12-15,  
1950.

Many *Nerita* on coral cliffs.  
*Littorina* & *Thais* common.

316 3 miles n. of Dar-es-Salaam,  
Tanganyika. May 16, 1950

Poor land collecting in low sparse bush  
dead *Uchatinia*.

With A. F. Morrison.

317 Mbova Maji, 9 miles south of  
Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika.  
May 18, 1950.

*Archatus* and good marine shells.

318

Inner Sinda Id., 5 miles S.E. of  
Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika  
May 23, 1950

319

Uroa, east side of Zanzibar  
May 27, 1950

*Donax faba* in sand beach.

*Oliva inflata* & *Copraea* abundant.

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Kiwengwa 18 mi. N. of  
Chwaka, east side Zanzibar.  
May 29, 1950

*Gastropoda*, *S. gibberulus*

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321 Chwaka, Chwaka Bay,  
east side Zanzibar.  
May 29, 1950  
*Tridacna*, *Strombus gibboides*, etc.  
*Acetabularia reticulata*.

322 Mbwani, 4 mi. S. of  
Zanzibar City.  
May 29, 1950  
reef in front of Dr. Robertson's house.  
*Nerita*, *Pholis*, etc.

323 Mangroves, Kijangwani,  
5 mi. S. of Zanzibar City.  
May 29, 1950  
*Pygospio flavicincta* abundant.

324. Bungi, Kiwani Bay, S.W.  
Zanzibar.  
May 30, 1950  
*Cypraea* spp., *Lynx*, *Cantharus*, etc.  
*Squilla*.

Mmazi Moja  
325 ~~Golf Course Beach~~, Zanzibar  
City.  
May 30, 1950  
Day & night collecting  
*Bulla ampulla*, *Lambis lambis*, etc.

Bawe  
326 Changa Island, 4 mi. N.W.  
of Zanzibar City.  
June 1, 1950.  
*Terebra maculata*, *Vasum*, etc.

327 S.W. edge of Jozani Forest  
southern Zanzibar  
June 3, 1950

328 Bweju, S.E. Zanzibar.  
June 3, 1950  
Night and day collecting

329 Apra Harbor, Guam Id.,  
Mariana Ids.  
June 18, 1950  
diving with The Bronsons

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Bury - winter main source

beach-comber	ratio
casual collector	3
Scientific collectors	1

Society of the  
The Four Arts

Club of wealthy patrons of  
Palm Beach

Boys & women

Mr. Fittinhouse  
Carroll & Abel  
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5 million shipping out

Toronto

30 men  
45 people  
65

10 years  
Married 10 years

40-70 outside the

rank 2 lb.

bags weigh 200-240

anular 50 bags

80-90 or 100 all together

olives for necklaces  
pearl & apricot

designs similar to

highly polished by hand  
or tool

41 000 sq ft floor space

12 more bldgs

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Wall st journal  
Scribble Mr. Paper  
transmission cell to Mr. Paper  
white pickers mixed  
cups shells one concern have  
own machine to pick  
up until recently Bahama  
shells biggest  
import duties on processed  
material.

100,000 green corals a  
year mostly Bahama  
crab pickers who bring  
in fresh to Miami being  
complete 1000  
15¢ a piece corals not ones  
Don't deliver below 1¢  
Augustine on other coast  
Bahamas worried only in  
corals - pink rollers which  
in young corals  
during year not  
supposed to be taken out  
entirely out, meant died  
pink

grout on wheel  
sand belt  
drifter

flat island over water

1 pt mineral  
water H<sub>2</sub>O

oil colors  
lacquer for gas seal  
because gutters on one  
side that oil color went  
to be to

4¢ a day - pen stands

dump in Douglas  
most shells were out  
out

pink in water area

3500 some money

11000 light bulbs

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money from Africa  
don't get too long good  
spider shells

1938 November  
2nd car 25  
Kanyan 2 all 2 children  
1 bar B.S.

De-marco

started Feb 1938

Father collected in Italy, started  
as a collector

De Marco took interest when he was  
19 -

Sold in N.Y. in novelty form

commercial importer

shipper consigns to N.Y.

firms like commission

broker & try to get as much  
as can.

De Marco shipped to De Marco

Disappearance - Sol was capt. in army

\$3 a thousand in N.Y.

Alfred Zudall - importer of pearl

beach & snail

25¢ lb. - 4 or 4 to pd.

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most good shells were in his father's  
collection except the Japanese stuff.  
Some of Japanese stuff father

Mr. News Press

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*Trophonopsis stephanosa* Ito Taki

*Corallophila varicifera* Kuroda  
New Species

*Conus kiensis* Kuroda 1949

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( Largest Exporter of all kinds of sea shells in East Africa )

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS  
"DEBEER"  
———

*father  
very old*  
**Mahomedrafik Mussa Virjee**

ESTABLISHED  
1888  
———

**EXPORT - IMPORT**  
———

POST OFFICE BOX 110

*Zanzibar,* ..... 19

*Jusuf. Lu. Virji*



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7 strands 7 strands

$\frac{1}{8}$ " diam. 7200 ft.  
64 / ft.

safety breaker  
winch -

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Mr. Mussa Virgée and Sons

50-60 years

London → Germany before war

Cassia numbers reduced

53.50 → 4 per kilo Italy get 50.5

40 females to U.S. - make Italy  
olives worth of camels

tiger cubs 305 / 1000  
200,000

Openculm to India

12 rupee / lb. = 18 shillings  
~~1 rupee~~ = \$2.40 U.S.

send any pearl information  
to Mussa Virgée

Tridacna gigas 180 / 1.55  
12 inches

Harpa 805 / 100 ventrian  
405 / 100 minor

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Mitra 15/ per piece.

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Industrial Designs Labs.

G.P.O. Box 597

Brooklyn, N.Y.

2000 sh.

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MR. Hashim Makame

P.O. Box 116

Zanzibar

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Crescent Beach to Myrtle Beach — "the strand"

Jan 7

Ocean quiet — like a Millpond.  
beach sand light gray, compact. Drove car  
on beach.

Nobelia, thrown up on beach with  
valves attached. Abundant

*Dinorthis variabilis* common

*Arca* "

*Perna* not uncommon

*Geukensia canaliculata* common

*Buccinum canaliculatum*

*Dinorthis* *Trachycardium*

*Venus mercenaria*



sat.  
Jan. 1st. Home 65551  
12 1/10 3.60  
H. Bergentown 65802  
14 1/10 gal. 4.00 200.80  
Hennsville, Pa. 65958  
12 1/10 g. 3.47 1st. 230  
Florence, S.C. 66198 3.89 15 g.  
1st. oil 30  
Laurens, S.C. 66436 11 1/10 3.40  
1st. 36  
Eden Springs, Md. 66646 3.50

Breakfast 1.20  
Dinner .26  
Lunch 1.75  
Dinner 2.85  
Dinner 1.75

car 3.70



1950

Jan. 7 left 5:30 AM

Mileage 63415

Breakfast Richmond 7:30<sup>8:00</sup> - 63524

Rocky Mount 10:30 63639

17 mi gal. 13 7/10 gal gas \$3.96 no oil

Wilmington, D.C. lunch 12:00

Topick Wash 4 PM left 9 AM

Chesterfield Inn

Myrtle Beach 63862

13 1/2 gal. 3.58

17 mi gal. 2 qt. oil .50

Sea Island, Ga

3 7/10 - 1.00

Brunswick 64162 5 gal \$1.48

left 6:00 1 qt. oil .40

64166 8 5/10 2.20

Brunswick

at Augustine - overnight 64274

Wilmington, Del. 64423

14 gal. 4.02 1 qt. .30

Miami 64685

15 7/10 \$4.40 .80

Miami 64916 5g. 1.43 oil .40

Quincy 65054 5g. 1.45

Palm Beach 65123 16 3/10 4.55 oil .40

LA Meyer 6 9/10 65417 2.00 80

Started with 187.00 + 5.05 new

Food

Breakfast 1.30

Lunch .10

Snack .30

Dinner 3.50

Breakfast 1.20

Brunch .70

Dinner 3.05

Break 1.29

Lunch .77

Supper .30

Dinner 2.10

Lunch .80

Dinner 2.10

Lunch .90

Dinner 3.30

Breakfast disrupted 1.20

Brunch .70

Lunch 1.08

Dinner 3.25

64400 1.55

Lunch 2.00

Dinner .95

Break 2.15

Dinner 1.24

Break 4.25

Dinner 4.25

Supper 4.25

Captain 5 gal 1.75

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# Lodging

Chas. Dunn	4.50
Aug.	3.00
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Scrub	9.00

# Miscellaneous

5.61	starter	48
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# Getting home

	Est.	GAS.		OIL.	
47543.7	12.2	12.4 gals	\$3.60	none	-
Crescent City, Fla.					
47775.2		12.8	3.45	2 qt.	40¢
Midway Ga. 12.3					
48012.3		12.5	3.56	none	-
Bartonsville					
48184.6		9.4	2.68	1 qt.	40¢
Rocky Mount					
48447.5	Feb. 4	13.4	3.75	1 qt.	40¢



lodging - single 2.00 dtd. 3.00  
 machine 4.00 matri. 1.90  
 Food coffee

Trunk

1948

all

.75	2.00
.90	1.94
.40	.96
.85	2.67
.10	.45
.90	1.35
1.10	3.60
.05	.10
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1.60	3.60
.05	.15
.60	1.20
2.00	3.90
1.75	St. Pete Dinner
.50	St. Pete Breakfast
1.75	St. Petersburg Beach dinner
.50	Breakfast St. Pete
.75	Lunch, Lithia, Fla. Jan. 27
.90	Dinner, Sulfur Springs, Fla.
.50	Breakfast Sulfur Springs, Fla.
.70	Lunch, Eureka Springs, Fla. Jan. 28
1.50	Dinner Tampa, Fla.
9.00	

1948

Lodging

Trunk

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5.00 St. Pete

5.00 St. Pete

4.00 Sulfur Springs, Fla Jan. 27

4.00 " " " 28

Incidentals

Tip bill taxi - .25

Tire change - .75



mileage 1948  
 began 4/5 7160 Time 5:10 AM Jan. 23  
 Ashland, Virginia  
 4/5 811.6 - 13 1/2 gal. 3.73 1 qt. 30¢  
 Kenly, N.C.  
 4/5 992.3 no gas 1 qt. 35¢  
 Raeford, N.C.  
 4/6 0800 13 3/4 gal. 3.75 1 qt. 40¢  
 4/6 153.3 - overnight Hatteras, S.C.  
 Coosabatchie, S.C.  
 4/6 310.9 12 3/4 gal. 3.50 1 qt. 35¢  
 Pawtux, Fla.  
 4/6 550.7 11 1/2 gal. 3.31 2 qts 20¢  
 4/6 624.9 - overnight - Ocala, Fla.  
 St. Petersburg, Fla.  
 4/6 773.4 14 gal. 3.99 1 qt. 35¢  
 tire valve caps .25  
 grease .50  
 4/6 7700 tire change .75  
 Lithia Springs  
 4/6 9880 Tampa Gas 5 gal. no oil  
 1.45  
 4/7 3040 St. Pete Gas 10 gal 1 qt oil  
 Beach 2.95 .40

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